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College Receives Emily D. Proctor Bequest of $60,000

Philanthropist Was Honorary Alumna

A $60,000 gift to Middlebury College was included in the will of the late Emily D. Proctor, first honorary member of the Alumnae Association of the Women's College of Middlebury. The will mentioned no specific purpose for which the principal should be used.

During most of her life Miss Proctor contributed heavily of her time and money to caring for and treating crippled children. In 1914 when there was an acute outbreak of infantile paralysis she gave $25,000 to the State Board of Health for research into the cause of the disease.

In 1921 Miss Proctor's father, the late Senator Redfield Proctor, built and presented to the state the Vermont Sanatorium at Pittsfield along with a $200,000 endowment contributed by Senator Proctor, Miss Proctor, and other members of the family.

The Caverly Preventorium in Pittsford was a later development financed to a large degree by Miss Proctor, and her brother, the former Gov. Redfield Proctor, a member of the Board of Trustees of Middlebury College. The institution was given to the Vermont Tuberculosis Association by the Proctors as a memorial to Dr. Charles S. Caverly of Rutland. Doctor Caverly was a leading national authority on lung diseases and poliomyelitis. Miss Proctor influenced much of his original interest in tuberculosis.

A great many years before the current widespread interest in dental clinics in the schools Miss Proctor and her brother became interested in the problem and organized clinics similar to those of today for the treatment of school children.

Miss Proctor was awarded an honorary master of arts degree from Middlebury in 1930. Her gift to the college is subject to payment of $1,200 a year to Virginia C. Rose, Miss Proctor's secretary.

Sabbatical Leaves Granted For '49-50

H. Ward Bedford, associate professor of music, and Waldo H. Heinrichs, professor of contemporary civilization, have been granted sabbatical leaves for both the fall and spring terms of the school year 1949-1950.

Mr. Bedford hopes to embark for England in September to attend the choral festivals held there during the early fall. Of special interest is the Three Choirs Festival, a joint presentation of the Colleges of Hereford, Westminster and Worcester. Last year this festival was held in Hereford, England, which is about 70 miles north of London; the location of the 1949 production has not yet been announced.

Although the plans for this trip are only temporary, Mr. Bedford hopes to see them realized because of his particular interest in the field of choral work. On his return to this country in the late fall, he will spend the winter season attending concerts in New York City and auditing some courses in the history of music at Columbia University. In the spring, Mr. Bedford will tour the country, particularly the mid-western and western states, visiting a number of college music departments with a view of improving our own department. He will confine his visits to colleges of size comparable to Middlebury. College music departments

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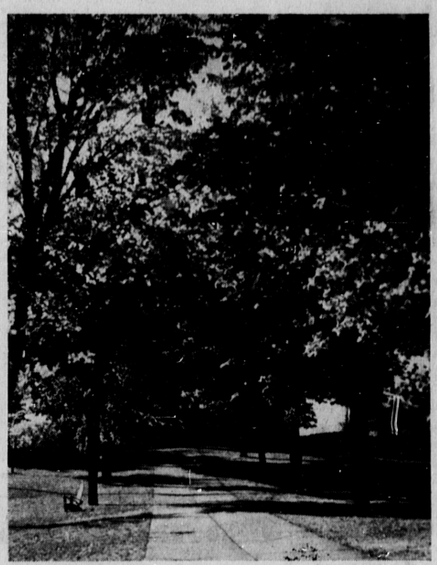
Before . . . The Great White Way . . . After



Water Floods Chat During Christmas

A frozen water pipe in Le Chateau caused damage to students' rooms on the second floor, the first floor Grand Salon, the dining room in the basement and to the first and second floor halls during the Christmas vacation. A. T. Dutton, the college fireman, discovered the damage early Christmas morning on his regular rounds. Apparently a window on the third floor of the building had either been left open or left unlatched so that it blew open, and the cold air caused a pipe in the room to freeze and burst.

The college is paying for the damage to students' clothes. Renovation on the building was completed at noon on Monday of this week. The carpentry and plastering work was done by local contractors while Hugh Ramsden of Burlington did the redecorating and painting. No official estimate of the damage has as yet been released.

Contract Tourney To Begin Sunday

The preliminary round for those students wishing to participate in the Intercollegiate Bridge Tournament will be held at 7.00 p.m. Sunday, January 16, in the Student Union Building. The duplicate Contract Bridge event will be judged by Elizabeth W. Baker, social director, and John J. Kelly, assistant professor of physical education, and will be directed by Richard L. Stokes '50, tournament director.

Eight of the contestants will be chosen to compete in the 1949 National Intercollegiate Bridge Tournament, the first round of which will be played by mail on February 23, 24, 25. The sixteen highest ranking pairs will meet for the face-to-face finals on April 22 and 23, at the Drake Hotel in Chicago where the players will be guests of the Intercollegiate Bridge Tournament Committee.

Last year, 1,216 students from every part of the country played in the semi-final round-by-mail, representing 152 colleges in 43 states. This year more than 300 institutions accredited by the Association of American Universities are being invited to compete.

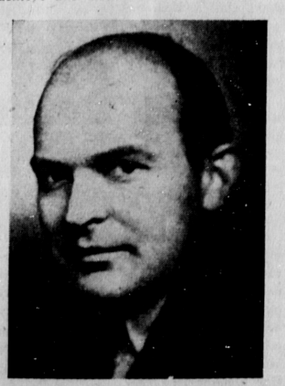
F. O. Matthiessen, American Author, To Speak Jan. 19

Dr. F. O. Matthiessen, professor of history and literature at Harvard University, will speak in Mead Chapel Wednesday evening at 8.00 p.m. as the Abernethy speaker for 1949.

The Abernethy Library of American Literature yearly sponsors an American author of distinction to address the student body in commemoration of the anniversary of its founding. In the past such outstanding figures as Stephen Vincent Benet, Christopher Morley, Dorothy Canfield Fisher and Robert Frost have been guests on this occasion.

Doctor Matthiessen is particularly well known for his work on American literary figures, especially Henry James. His subject for the Abernethy address will be "New England Poets." Doctor Matthiessen received his A.B. from Yale University in 1923 and studied at New College, Oxford from 1923 to 1925 as a Rhodes scholar. Subsequently he took his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees at Harvard.

Doctor Matthiessen has written a number of books and has become a noted literary critic. In 1947, with twenty-five other American professors, he conducted the Salzburg Seminar in American Studies for Europeans of all nations in Salzburg, Austria. Following this, Doctor Matthiessen went on to Prague where he gave a series of lectures on the age of Whitman and Melville at Charles University. He was later appointed a regular member of the Charles University faculty, thus becoming the first American ever to achieve this distinction.



F. O. MATTHIESSEN

NIC Representative Addresses Council

Ferdinand B. Ensinger '45, national executive secretary of the Kappa Delta Rho fraternity and field representative for the National Interfraternity Conference, spoke to the Interfraternity Council at its meeting last Sunday night. After speaking on the meaning of the fraternity, Mr. Ensinger led discussion on discriminatory clauses in fraternity constitutions.

John Anson, field representative for the Phi Kappa Tau fraternity, also spoke to the Council concerning the possibilities of his fraternity's coming to Middlebury.

A permanent committee structure was organized at the meeting. The four committees which were formed and appointed are the committee on fraternity expansion which has the primary function of organizing a new fraternity at Middlebury, the committee on publications, the committee on finances, and the committee on constitutional revision..

The Council also passed a motion to award intramural cups during chapel services at the meeting.

Annual Alum Dinner To Be Held In N. Y.

Plans have been completed for the annual Middlebury Alumni-Alumnae Dinner to be held at the Aldine Club, 200 Fifth Ave., New York City, Friday, January 28 at 7.00 p.m. Between 200 and 300 members of the New York-New Jersey Alumni-Alumnae Association are expected to attend.

The committee responsible for organizing and arranging the dinner is under the chairmanship of Robert L. Boyd '39 and is composed of five other members: Elbert F. MacFadden '39, Jean M. Sweeny '40, Thomas H. Bennett '41, Joan Calley '41 and Dorothy Laux '45.

The evening's entertainment will include a brief talk by Walter J. Nelson, head coach of football, on the past football season and Middlebury athletics in general. Pres. Samuel S. Stratton will bring the group up to date with a short talk on college affairs. Songs and movies of campus life, including the recent Paramount release on Middlebury entitled "Sno' Time for Learning," will conclude the program.

A similar, though smaller, dinner will

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Severe Ice Storm Ruins Twenty-Six Trees On Campus

Power Plants Fail As Storm's Result

Students returning to Middlebury after the Christmas recess found the town and college recovering from the effects of the severe ice storm which isolated Middlebury December 30.

Greatest visible damage occurred to trees on the college campus. Thirteen of the elms flanking Chapel walk were so severely damaged that removal was necessary. Thirteen other hardwood trees, chiefly on the lower campus, were destroyed by the storm.

Softwood pines and spruces on the campus were better able to withstand the effects of ice and wind and sustained relatively little damage.

Few of the trees on campus escaped injury completely and the full extent of the damage cannot be determined until spring when new foliage appears.

Freezing rain and sleet made the ice storm the most destructive in decades. One seventy-five year old Middlebury resident stated that the storm was the worst in his memory.

The power supply for town and college failed Thursday afternoon and remained out until the following afternoon. Furnaces in the college heating plant which are ordinarily fed by electric stokers had to be fired by hand until power was restored.

Due to melting snow and heavy rains an unusually large amount of surface water threatened to flood the basements of several college buildings. After the power failure had knocked out the electrically operated pumps which protect the buildings, crews worked throughout the night of the thirtieth to keep water levels down.

Weight of the ice caused considerable damage to college power facilities. Three high tension wires went down, endangering work parties and a large transformer in the rear of the heating plant burned out. Minor damage to college light lines has been repaired.

Local Fliers Avert Vacation Blackout

Three Middlebury students who remained in town during the Christmas vacation came to the rescue of Porter Hospital the night of the sleet storm.

On Thursday afternoon, December 30, all electricity went off and the town and surrounding areas were plunged into darkness. When it became obvious that it might be many hours before electricity would be available, Robert G. Hunt '49, executive officer of the local 106th Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, offered Porter Hospital one of the squadron's radio generators as an emergency power source. Miss Elizabeth Wilson, superintendent of the hospital, gladly accepted his offer, as nurses had been groping their way around the building by candlelight for several hours.

Mr. Hunt, with the assistance of Robert M. Rauner '50 and Richard B. Hunt '50, also members of the squadron, installed the generator at the hospital and had lights and power restored by ten o'clock.

This was just in time, too, for minutes later, a woman from Bristol, brought to the hospital, gave birth to a baby.

The Central Vermont Power & Light Co. came through again the next morning.

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Poor Man's School

As has been the case before all Christmas vacations since the war, permission was granted to a number of men allowing them to leave school several days early to accept vacation employment. The question has been raised by some of the faculty as to the necessity of this, and it seems that the objection raised may be valid to a certain extent. The hours of hard work that go into the preparation of a lecture by some professors would be wasted if a large number of students who left early happened to be in the same class. Then it would be necessary to repeat the lecture or lectures missed by the students after their return to school. The question has been raised as to how necessary is the money earned during a vacation to meeting college expenses. How far will fifty or a hundred dollars go to help pay college bills?

However, it seems that the professors who have raised the objections are taking a near-sighted view of the matter and are not examining the problem from the student's point of view as well as their own.

Since there was a class quorum in virtually all classes before vacation it has been possible for students who missed lectures to obtain the material from the notes of other members of the class. It is also possible, in most cases, for the students to obtain from the text book the same material that has been discussed in the lecture. It hardly seems possible that the professors have been overburdened as a result of the few classes missed by a number of men.

To some the amount of money earned seems negligible. But since the majority of men who were excused early are attending college under the G.I. Bill, it is very probable that the money was important. It is a recognized fact that costs at colleges have been rising, along with costs everywhere else, and it is imperative that the government allowance be supplemented by funds from other sources to meet expenses. To many men the only available method to acquire these needed funds is to work during vacations. Perhaps before the war the men students were adequately supported by parental allowances and didn't need to seek gainful employment during holiday periods. This may have been the case when the professors were in school, and it may be true when the veterans depart. However, at present most of the men need all the opportunities possible to earn extra money.

There is no doubt that the problem can be solved so that both the professors and necessity can be appeased. The college calendar could be changed in order to dismiss school a few days earlier at Christmas and add the few days at the end of the year. To meet the problem school could be opened earlier in September. In any case, an arrangement should be made to permit work during vacations.

Trees

The beauty of the college, enhanced to a great extent by the abundance of trees which line the walks and roads, suffered a considerable loss as a result of last week's severe ice storm. The most notable and extensive damage was received by thirteen elms which beautified and shaded chapel walk. Freezing rain and sleet encumbered the branches of these trees with ice to such a degree that a goodly number of the limbs were shorn from the trunks. This necessitated the removal of the remaining portion of the damaged trees by the maintenance department.

The loss is not irrepairable, but it will take many years to restore the segment of beauty and appeal that was lent to Middlebury by the presence of these sturdy elms.

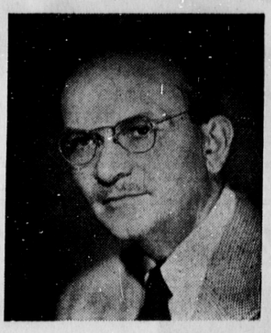
The average person, though conscious of the beauty of the campus, usually takes for granted the part played in this by the trees. It takes such an occurrence as this for us to fully appreciate the sentiments of Joyce Kilmer who wrote the immortal poem "Trees."

National Spotlight

Congratulations are in order for the ski team which for the second straight year won the national collegiate ski championship and brought the name of Middlebury into the national spotlight.

It was well-coordinated team skiing that brought Coach Sheehan's men the title. Now to take the measure of the Hanover Indians!

Paul Harris, Jr., Vermont Lecturer, To Speak Sunday



Paul Harris Jr., noted lecturer, author and world traveler, will speak at the junior-senior vesper service Sunday, January 16. His subject will be "Is Faith Futile?"

A resident of Putney, Vt., Mr. Harris is independent of any organization or program. His fields are international affairs, national issues, questions of youth, and the place of religion in life. Mr. Harris spent twelve years in Washington, D. C. as liaison consultant with world-affairs groups throughout the country. For the past five years he has lived in New England. In the literary field he has founded and edited a new type of social action magazine, issued reports on his travels abroad, and published articles and poems in various magazines. His more recent books include *Youth Can Count* and *Behind the Mists of South America.*

Campus Discovers Unique Rendezvous

Anita M. Liptak '49

Newly added to the rather limited "where-to-dine-and-wine" spots around Middlebury is Frank Singiser's Mountain Meadow in Brandon, Vermont, twelve miles from the college on the hill via the Cornwall Road going south. This may sound like an advertisement but, honestly, we're not getting paid. We're just taking into consideration the appalling dearth of "pahty-pahty" places near enough to interest the average Midd student, and as a deed of public service, bringing this new and unique rendezvous to the attention of the student body.

Mountain Meadow is a ski area, skating rink, restaurant, and hotel combined. In addition to these obvious inducements, a well-known couple about campus, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burckes (nee Peg "Cannonball" Curtis), act as official host and hostess during the weekends. The owners of Mountain Meadow would like to interest Middlebury students in weekend jaunts, sleigh rides and hay rides to and around Mountain Meadow. Sleigh and hay rides (it all depends on the weather man) may be arranged at two dollars a person including food, for sorority, fraternity, or just plain gay groups.

The Mountain Meadow Room is equipped with a dining room, a Blue Room for dancing and a cocktail lounge. Ross Cottage, a part of the establishment, sleeps ten guests at two dollars per person and a large barn can accommodate sleeping bags (and people) free of charge for week-ending guests.

There is a 600 ft. rope tow on Bald Hill for fledgling skiers and a new and faster slope at Deer Run for the more expert. A skating rink complete with floodlights and equipment for skijoring make pretty ideal winter sports conditions. Peg Curtis Burckes is also on hand at Bald Hill to teach, advise and admonish.

Arrangements can be made at once for weekends or just a day's skiing by seeing either Jack or Peg Burckes. Who wants to go to Dunmore in the winter, anyway?

NOTICE

Subsistence allowances paid by the Veterans Administration to veterans in Educational or on-the-job training are not considered as income for income-tax purposes. Any income that they may earn on part-time jobs while attending educational institutions full-time, or earn while on-job training is subject to taxation under existing tax laws.

Letters to the Editor

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This column is for expression of ideas from readers. Signed letters containing not more than 250 words will be printed.)

To the students:

Unless many more students pay us the $8.00 charge, the Mountain Club's ski transportation plan will fold up on Saturday. It would be a tragedy if lack of foresight ruined your chances to ski when the snow does come. There are two days left.

BRONSON HICKCOX, *President*
Mountain Club.

To the Students of Middlebury College:

This note is to express to you the deep gratitude of the needy family and myself for the generous response to our call for help just before the Christmas holidays. The total contribution of $185 purchased a new oil heating stove (the only heat in the home had been an old, small wood-burning stove in the kitchen), together with oil for the winter months; paid the long overdue electricity bills; bought medicine, food, clothing, Christmas dinner, and provided a small reserve for this very worthy family. Neither the father nor mother is able to do heavy work, as both have been hospitalized recently, after an automobile accident, and the oil-burning stove relieves them of chopping and carrying wood, which would have to be bought before chopping. Not all of the clothing contributed was suitable for the needs of this particular family, so a part of it was used for the twelve other needy country families who received Christmas help through the Community House.

The help you gave not only took care of the material needs of the family, but has made 1949, for them a truly Happy New Year.

Gratefully,
OLIVE DEAN,
Director,
Middlebury Community House.

To the heads of student governments:

The Administration Committee would like to obtain from the student body, or its representatives, an official vote regarding the preference for a Thanksgiving holiday or a Thanksgiving week-end. Unfortunately the poll taken in Chapel prior to Thanksgiving was not sponsored by any representative student organization and since their pros and cons were not reviewed prior to the poll, the Administration Committee is reluctant to accept this as an official expression of opinion.

Before the student body votes on the question, the following should be taken into consideration:

1. Christmas vacation usually begins about three weeeks after Thanksgiving. In the past, students have indicated that they cannot afford the expense of going home twice within so short a period.

2. If a Thanksgiving week-end were scheduled, all dormitories would be closed from 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon until 9 o'clock the following Sunday morning. The College would serve no meals after lunch on Wednesday until supper on Saturday night. Classes would end

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Opinions of the Week

QUESTION: What has proved to be your most profitable procedure in studying for an exam?

Mary E. Hosford '49
Shaker Heights, Ohio

With my favorite time of year just around the corner, I can once again get out my well-thumbed notebook of successful exam procedures. Of course, all of my past three-year lecture notes are already well reviewed and in mind—Christmas vacation, you know. This gives me a background in liberal arts providing a wealth of information on which to draw in those altogether too short exam periods. Knitters will find value in my A-1 procedure. While knitting, force yourself to recall in its entirety at least one lecture per row. As one last hint, I would recommend your choosing your own courses so as to have your exams follow in rapid succession. This proved so successful to me last term that I have picked this year's courses accordingly.

Peter J. Cassimatis '49
East Norwalk, Conn.

When I was a sophomore I used to collaborate with my roommate, Al Craz, spending many happy evenings in pre-exam discussions. Warned that I was flunking all of my subjects, I thought it wiser to follow a more lucrative pattern of study in my junior year. I enlarged the attendance of my pre-exam sessions, adding such campus sages as Kim Mehlbach, Don Stillman, and Ernie Hunter. My average immediately jumped to a neat 67.2, and I closed my junior year out in a blaze of profitable procedure! My friends have deserted me in my senior year so I now study in the reading room. Although I miss the words of wisdom of those fine sages, it is nice to pass all of your courses. What happened my freshman year? Oh, no one studies in his freshman year.

Margery W. Mehl '49
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

My first college year was spent in a lovely country club in Virginia. The professors said that cramming for exams was wrong. My Colleagues assured me that they "nevah study for exams." I didn't. So, I came to Middlebury. People here studied by memorizing "formulas" which stood for long lists of points to be remembered. (*i.e.*, "impca," "owso," "helcakpar.") This worked fine for a year. But—last year I found myself in an exam and couldn't remember what "dash-sogpi-non-t.b.c." and "scadwifbrum" meant. Now, however, I have arrived at the perfect solution. Go West, young man.

Paul T. Farrell '51
Dorchester, Mass.

The question was an easy one to ask; but like all other questions that are thrown our way up here it demanded an answer. For a brief moment one word stumped me! The man had mentioned "study" but had been very careful to sandwich it amidst the other ingredients of his rather lengthy sentence. I needed help with that one, and Wendell had a dictionary. When he heard my problem he roared and said, "That's something Phi Betes do."

Lois Schawaroch '51
Great Neck, New York

I am not permitted to answer this question due to the fact that I must apportion the major part of my time to the *Campus* business staff.

Dixon F. Hemphill '49
Westerly, Rhode Island

Depends on the exam. Take criminology for instance: I wrote to the F. B. I. but instead of explaining the causes of crime they analyzed my handwriting.

Russian language and music present equally imposing problems. My Russian isn't good enough to enable me to correspond with Joe so I usually end up practicing calisthenics all night before the exam hoping to impress Mr. Fayer with a Cossack polka.

In music, Mozart's "Requiem" always reminds me of the "Pennsylvania Polka" but I can't remember whether "Clarinet Boogie" sounds more like Handel's Water Suite or Beethoven's "Fifth." (Listening to the assigned records also helps.)

Abigail L. Haskins '51
Saranac Lake, New York

Everyone seems to study in different ways for exams. There are the people who sit up all night and go crazy, and then there are the people who think it's better to go to the movies the night before an exam to relax. My roommate seems to feel that studying should be done on your way through slalom flushes while at Breadloaf. Since I fall asleep trying to sit up all night, am too nervous to sit through a movie the night before an exam, and can't get through slalom flushes—I guess the best way is to do your homework.

Registrar's Office Changes Schedule

The following corrections in the class schedule for the term beginning February, 1949, have been announced by the registrar's office.

On Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 1.30 p.m., Soc. 20.1C has been changed to Soc. 21.1C and at 9.00 a.m. on the same days Math. 33.2 has been changed to Math. 31.2. At 9.00 a.m. on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday French 21.2C has been changed to French 12.2C. English 45.2 will be English 45.1 and Home Economics 35.2 will be Home Economics 35.1. The hours for these two courses have not been determined as yet. English 11.2J should be English 10.2J at 9.00 a.m.

In addition to the present schedule, Geography 25.2 has been arranged to be held at 11.30 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Education 42.1 has also been added but the hours are still to be established.

Spanish 33.1 has been extended to a year course with the number 33.1 on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 9.00 a.m.

Russian 35.2 will be given in spring semester instead of in the fall as had been previously scheduled in the catalogue. This course will be held on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 11.30 p.m.

Drawing 28.2 will be held on Monday and Friday from 1.30 to 4.00 p.m.

The hours of Drama 21.2A and Education 23.2 have been changed to 9.00 a.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Foundation Offers Study Fellowships

The American-Scandinavian Foundation of New York has announced a series of fellowships for graduate study in Denmark, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden for 1949-1950.

The qualifications are United States citizenship, ability to carry out original research on a definite plan of study, and good health. The two unrestricted fellowships are the Olaf Halvorsen Fellowship of $2,000 and the New York Chapter Fellowship of $750. The other four fellowships are the John G. Berquist Fellowships of $2,000 each for the study of chemistry in Sweden; the King Gustav V Fellowships of $2.000 each for the study of the language, history, government, art, literature or social sciences of Sweden; the John Motley Morehead fellowship of $1,000 for a graduate of the University of North Carolina to study in Sweden; and the Frederick Schaefer Fellowship of $1,000 for a graduate of St. Olaf College to study in Norway.

The application papers must be filed before March 15. Successful candidates will be notified about April 1, and official announcement will be made in the early part of May.

One of the two other plans of study offered by the Foundation is the American Graduate School in Denmark at the Universities of Copenhagen and Aarlus. The subjects include social welfare, political science, economics, Danish philosophy and education.

The other plan of study is a course at the University of Stockholm in social and political sciences. These courses are primarily intended for graduates but outstanding undergraduates who have completed at least the sophomore year by 1949 are also acceptable.

Both of these courses require no previous knowledge of Swedish. Tuition for both is $500 per year and both courses

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Wednesday at eleven and start on Monday at eight.

3. In order to fulfill the requirements of the accrediting agencies, the College schedules 90 class days each semester. There are no extra days in the present calendar. If two days were taken for Thanksgiving and two days added to the September calendar, actually College would have to start three or four days earlier because of the intervening week-end. The campus buildings are occupied by summer schools most of the summer, and every day between the end of the summer session and the opening of college is needed for repairs and redecoration. For this reason the College probably would not be able to schedule an earlier opening.

4. A possible solution would be to give up the football holiday and deduct one day from Christmas vacation. The football holiday has less significance now than it had in the past, since it would be possible to reach Burlington by bus after classes, particularly if Chapel were omitted and classes rescheduled that day. If classes ended at eleven on the day of the Norwich game it would also be possible to reach Northfield for the game.

5. Whether the week-end or only a one-day Thanksgiving holiday is finally approved, excuses for class absence before and after the recess will be given next year only for emergencies or to meet important commitments. Christmas job seeking, family holiday reunions, dental appointments, etc., will not be honored as excuses.

6. The latest available calendars of thirty-six New England colleges have been checked for information on their Thanksgiving vacations with the following result:

Three days' vacation: Connecticut College, Hillyer, Trinity, U. of Bridgeport, U. of Connecticut, Yale, Bowdoin, Colby, Amherst, Boston U., Clark U., Holy Cross, Mount Holyoke, Simmons, U. of Massachusetts, Wellesley, Williams, Dartmouth, U. of New Hampshire, Brown, Norwich, St. Michael's, U. of Vermont.

One day: Bates, U. of Maine, Boston College, Harvard, M.I.T., Radcliffe, Smith, Tufts, Colby Jr. College, Providence College, Rhode Island State, Bennington, Middlebury.

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News In Paragraphs

Veterans who wish to have all or a part of their National Service Life Insurance paid in a lump sum to a selected beneficiary, must make that choice by written notification to the Veterans Administration. A beneficiary may not receive NSLI proceeds in a lump sum unless the insured veteran selected that mode of payment before his death.

Full information may be received by visiting or writing to the Veterans Administration at Burlington, Montpelier, Rutland or White River Junction, Vt.

The Thrift Shop will hold its first sale this Saturday, January 15. Gifts of clothing to seventeen families depleted the garment shelves during the holidays, and the bank balance was reduced by the purchase of needed articles not in the shop. Call Kennie Higley, Forest West, if you have any clothing to donate for this worthy purpose.

The World Federalists are sponsoring a forty-minute film strip on "How to Conquer War" tonight at 8.30 p.m. in Munroe 303. A thirty-minute discussion period will follow. All are welcome.

Beginning as of Wednesday, January 19 and continuing for five weeks, a second aerial navigation class will be conducted in Warner Science under the auspices of the Civil Air Patrol. This free course, like the one offered earlier in the year, covers pilotage, dead reckoning, and radio navigation, with emphasis on its application to private and light plane flying.

On Friday nights at 7 p.m. in the Warner Hemicycle the CAP holds a radio class which includes Morse Code practice and practical radio theory taught by Professor Wissler. The latter part of the course will include practical instruction and training for the FCC amateur radio operator examinations and any other phases of the subject desired by the class. Beginners are welcome.

A. F. of L. Workers Pose "Ism" Contest

An essay contest on the subject, "What Ism Do You Choose; Anarchism, Communism, Fascism, Socialism, Americanism?" is being sponsored by the Workers Education Bureau of the American Federation of Labor. Prizes range from $50 to $350. The contest is open to all undergraduate students.

Essays should not exceed 3,000 words and must be in the mail by January 30. Essays should be sent to Workers Education Bureau of America, 1440 Broadway, New York 18, N. Y.

The contest is inspired by the autobiography, *Tomorrow Is Beautiful* by Lucy Robins Lang, which is the story of four decades of American Labor.

FASHION FELLOWSHIP

The Tobe-Coburn School for Fashion Careers in New York City is offering three fashion fellowships for 1949-1950 to senior women graduating in 1949. The fellowships will cover full tuition of $900 and the winners will finance their own living and incidental expenses for nine months.

Contestants should register now, for the Fashion Test Topic essays are to be written during February and the winners will be announced in April.

The school prepares students for careers in buying, styling, advertising or personnel work in the fashion field. For further information and registration blanks write to: Fashion Fellowship Secretary, Tobe-Coburn School for Fashion Careers, 1 West 57th St., New York 19, N. Y.

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Midd Captures Four Event Championships

Panthers To Play Host To High-Flying St. Mikes Knights On Saturday Night

Improved Panthers Meet Michaelmen

On Saturday evening at the High School gym, the Middlebury hoopsters will engage the high flying courtmen from St. Michael's College.

This will be the first engagement of the season between the two schools in their struggle for the state championship honors. Midd opened its state series play against Norwich last night.

The Mikemen are rumored to be something special this year with the addition to their varsity of last season's undefeated freshman team including such court aces as diminutive Billy Hart and Ed Markey.

The Panther hoopsters suffered a severe jolt when they were informed of the loss of Billy Tracy for several weeks, due to a back injury. Thus, the only question mark on the squad is Ralph Loveys. He tore his hand badly before Christmas and is presently nursing blistered feet. The much-improved play of Ray Gadaire, who netted ten points in the Champlain game, plus new drive and display of talent by Chet Nightingale, has added increased zest to the Midd offense. Big Bruce Burdett is still able to command the backboard and the smoothness of Dick Shea has been one of the reasons for the squad's progress this year.

The fact that St. Mike's has supposedly gone "big time" by playing down at the Boston Garden this season and in New York City, will make the taste of victory over such an opponent even sweeter.

Panther Hockey Season To Open Against Bowdoin

Mark Twain once remarked, "If you don't like New England weather, wait a minute, it will change." If anyone realizes the truth of this statement, it is hockey coach Duke Nelson, who after being snowbound for a week in Nebraska, returned to Midd only to find the local ice palace in a state of frozen clay. Because of the unexpected warm spell the St. Lawrence game had to be cancelled.

While the Midd rink has remained useless, the twenty-four-man Blue and White squad has been practicing at Lake Placid. Yesterday and today, the Panther hopefuls journeyed to the New York winterland for work-outs.

However, a few days of skating is hardly sufficient to ready a squad, that if ice conditions permit, will face such stalwarts as Bowdoin, Colgate, Williams, Vermont, and Army in the next ten days.

Led by Capt. Billy MacNamara, Kyle Prescott, Paul Thompson, Wendy Forbes, Jim Marchese, and a host of other veterans, Midd faces one of the toughest schedules in the history of the college. The fact that the local icemen face these five teams within eight days makes the schedule doubly difficult.

Colgate can be rated as perhaps the finest team in the East with the Cadets of West Point not far behind. Last season the Midd-Colgate game was postponed because of the lack of ice and it is not at all impossible that it will be a repeat performance when the Red Raiders invade Midd on the nineteenth. Williams also carries its colors to the local arena, on the twentieth. Last year the Ephmen treated Midd to the best game of the season. The contest ended in a 6-6 deadlock. Already Williams has one game on the records having dropped a decision to the powerful Westchester, N. Y., club.

Bowdoin is a new opponent for Midd and the Maine school should provide plenty of action for Duke Nelson's pucksters on Saturday.

Dragone, Meeker Head Relay Team

The board track relay team has been working out on the oval every day since the Christmas recess under the watchful eye of Coach Arthur Brown. Coach Brown is making his boys dig in and sweat in order to be in running shape for the K. of C. games in Boston which are just around the corner on January 22. Coach Brown has to condition his team in short order for the K. of C. games offer plenty of competition, as do the Millrose games in Madison Square Garden on January 29 and the B. A. A. games in the Boston Garden on February 5.

Two regulars are back from last year's team, Capt. Al Dragone and Irv Meeker. "Old Aches and Pains" Dragone hasn't developed any ailments this year and if he can work into good shape he should be in for a great season. Meeker came back from vacation in fair condition and if he keeps on at his present pace he looks like a sure bet to hold down his old anchor position again this year.

Of last season's team, Will Bangs graduated and Che Che Barquin and Sam Donnellon are on scholastic probation. Therefore, Coach Brown will pick his other starters from a group of candidates made up of Rufus Cushman, Bob Gore, "Scotty" Patterson, Dix Hemphill, Bob Parker, and John O'Connor.

Joe Jones Named Coach Of U. S. Women's Squad

Another title was added to the name of Joseph Jones last week when it was learned that he was appointed coach of the American women's ski team for 1949. The announcement was made by Mrs. Clark Macomber, Newton, Mass., head of the women's division of the U. S. Eastern Amateur Ski Associations.

At present Joe is serving as coach of the Middlebury women's ski team and as manager of the Sno-Bowl. Joe has always worked and lived close to skiing in his lifetime and served as a ski trooper in World War II.

Battlin' Bill's Golden Gloves Tarnished By Injury; Donnellon To Fight Tonight

The *Campus* boxing forces suffered a severe jolt last Sunday when Midd's heavyweight challenger, Bill Pihlcrantz, incurred an arm injury while skiing at Stowe and had to have nine stitches taken. "Battlin' Bill" had been training since the beginning of December and rumor had it that he was an odds on favorite to cop the title in the heavyweight division. However, like Joe Louis, Bill mixes his sports, and as a result will have to shelve his title aspirations.

However, the colors of the college will be carried into fistic combat tonight by "Dynamite Donnellon," when at 8 p.m. the curtain goes up on the second annual Vermont Golden Gloves Tournament. This year the tourney is being sponsored by the *Burlington Daily News* and through the medium of the paper over 40 entries have been received. Tonight's card features 14 bouts with the semi-finals, and finals following on the next two successive Thursday nights. The seven winners in each division will comprise the Vermont team which will compete in the New England Golden Gloves Tournament at Lowell, Mass., in February.

Donnellon, a welterweight, will go into the ring tonight in tiptop condition, weighing in around 149. He completed his final week of training with three-round sparring sessions on Saturday and Monday, tapering off with shadow boxing and light exercises on Tuesday and Wednesday. At the present time the identity of his foe is not known.

BEST IN WEST BY TEST

Shown wearing victory grins are Tom Jacobs, Jack Valentine, Don Henderson, and Paul Kailey

THE MIDD-WAY

McNamara's Band

The Hamilton College hockey rink was crowded to capacity on this particular night. The game had progressed well into the third period and the home forces were substantially ahead as the score board blinked out the 8-2 score. The blue-shirted Middmen were on the short end, their heads bloody but unbowed. The crowd never lost interest though and hadn't cheered harder at any point all night. For a little "fat feller" had stolen the fancy of the fans and as he skated helter-skelter knocking things over, they whooped in childish glee. The incouciant iceman was putting on a one-man show. That very same "fat feller" will captain Middlebury's 1949 hockey team. This week "McNamara's Band" is scheduled to open its season, if the weatherman will only cooperate.

When you pack 230 pounds into a five foot-six frame you're bound to get somthing extraordinary. And this is just the case with William Joseph McNamara. Bill always has been a crowd pleaser wherever he is and in whatever he does. He is not the sort of person who invites neutrality. Bill is no Mr. America and has never been mistaken for Charles Atlas but he strictly adheres to the laws of physics and simply overpowers someone or something that baffles him.

When Bill came to Midd he left a glorious past behind him but the tales of his athletic prowess have followed him to the fair school on the hill. In case you haven't been told, Bill comes out of the heralded hamlet of Melrose and a definite era in Melrose High atiletics is marked by the four years Brazen Bill graced MHS's hallowed halls. Many is the alumnus who has toasted Bill over the standard 3.2 and reminisced for an hour or so about the "good old days."

"The Most Unforgettable Character . . ."

But Bill hasn't fared too badly in his new environment and whether consciously or unconsciously, he has been the subject pronoun in many a discussion during the last two and a half years. The colorful Boston Irishman could well grow into a legend at Midd for the adventuresome athlete is in and out of hot water like Mark Twain's Huck Finn. His exploits have also been little short of spectacular and are as numerous as the waxed skis around campus. Here are a couple worth retelling.

In 1946, Bill was a football player and a good one at that. In the very first game of the season a Williams gentleman in football livery hit Bill where Bill didn't think he should be hit and words (and fists) followed. Bill was naturally ejected, as the game took place in Williamstown. Some four weeks later on another gridiron, in Schenectady, where Union sons carry on, "Our Bill", in the heat of battle, picked an opportune moment to intercept a pass and run some 60 yards to the end zone with all sorts of amazed individuals in hot pursuit. Upon reaching the colloquial paydirt, Bill, breathing very heavily, was heard to mutter something like, "Cheese and crackers—got all muddy." He then departed for the sidelines to get hold of himself.

In 1947, Bill's last season on the gridiron, one particular game stands out in which Bill's genius saved the day. It was "Operation Coast Guard." The Blue was seven points in the red and time was running out. Midd had possession of the ball and Mr. McNamara, operating as quarterback, aimed his shots well, scuttling the Coast Guard in five plays. Midd got a 7-7 tie out of the afternoon, thanks mainly to Bill.

The Iceman Cometh

Bill has a fondness for cold things and it is only natural that hockey should be his favorite sport. Since his inception on ice at Midd, Bill has the "King of Hockey." In the '46 season he led in points scored, assists, penalties and everything but stolen sweatshirts. Last year he dropped to a second place tie for total points but remained on top in the all-important assists column.

Sports stories are not the only tales of note spun about Bili. In his own modest way he is a student. You may not suspect it but Bill holds a lifetime average of 81.7. One would never realize it on entering his abode, though. He has distaste for neatness which approaches hatred. A year ago, when Bill chose to live on campus, the Cleaning Ladies Anti-Cruelty League voted Bill's room the worst on campus.

Another fact the ordinary detective might never uncover is that William J. was once a baseball player. Back in his young and foolish days at the home of the Red Raiders, Bill held down the right field spot. His favorite memory concerning his high school baseball career sounds vaguely as though its origin might have been Brooklyn, but Bill swears to its authenticity. One sunny afternoon the Melrose High Nine was in the process of upsetting the State Championship team from Watertown when a catastrophe occurred. Melrose led, going into the ninth inning 3-1. Things looked bad when Watertown loaded the bases with two out. However, it look like the game was over, when an easy fly was lofted to right field. The right fielder (guess who?) tripped in a hole, unfortunately; and the ball hit him squarely on the head and bounded away unmolested for a home run. There was no joy in Melrose that night.

And One For The Road

These are not all the tales to tell about little Billy Joe. You've probably heard a couple more. They sort of grow and ripen with age. It's our private wish that Bill and his team will have a good year and a couple more tales can be added to the growing memoirs.

Henderson Paces Victorious Skiers

PANTHERS ON TOP BY TWO MARKERS

"Sighted Championship, copped same was the whole story as the Middlebur College Ski squad came, saw and con quered in the National Inter-Collegiat four event ski championships held a Aspen, Colorado, December 28, 29 and 3 Paced by Capt. Don Henderson, Pau Kailey, Tom Jacobs and Jack Valentin the Sheehan men scored heavily in th slalom and jump to nip runners-u Western State and the University o Utah.

Highlighted by blizzards, abbreviate courses and Olympic competition, th inter-collegiate meet saw Crosby Perry Smith of Western State College, grab in dividual honors with a total of 388 point Don Henderson, finished third in th singles department with a total of 371. The real story of tthe meet lay in the tear score and it was in this manner that th Middlebury skiers shone throughou Amazing the western squads with thei ability to cop seconds and thirds and t tally in bunches as a team, the Mid Whizzers racked up large totals in slalo jumping and cross country although n Panther man finished first in any of th four events.

Conditioning Spells Difference

Prime conditioning paid off for th Midd skiers as they were forced to battl their way up hill after a slow beginning i the downhill event. With only four day of real skiing practice in back of them the Blue and White were faced with eve improving western competition. Weste State had been on the snow since early i September, thanks to a local glacier. Th remaining western schools had been run ning up and down the mountains sides fo the past three months while the Middle bury flashes were limited to just plai running, cross country, that is.

Middlebury opened with a stumble a downhill honors went to Utah Univer sity and the individual winner was Keit Wegeman representing Denver Univer sity. He completed the course in the brie time of 1:53.4. Lifesaver was dependabl Don Henderson who saved face by finish ing in the eight slot, only 11.9 second behind the pace-setters.

The afternoon slalom races featured th artistry of Olympic star, Dick Movitz skiing for Utah. Dropping first plac laurels to Movitz, the Midd men garnere second, third and fourth position as Pau Kailey, Don Henderson and Tom Jacob finished in that order respectively. Re sults in the slalom contest brought Middle bury into second place in the team scorin and hot on the hickories of Utah U.

Midd Pulls Ahead

The small jump prevented any compet itor to leap more than 91 feet and th Colorado Western star, Crosby Perry Smith, won, followed by the Middlebury wolfpack, Henderson, Valentine, Jacob and Kailey in third, fourth, sixth an seventh positions, as Midd stepped int the lead. The abbreviated cross country course, only four miles in length com pared to the eight and eleven mile distance in the New England area, was too much of a sprint for the Middlebury muscle men, as Henderson was nosed out in th half hour run by Leith Sommervilie o California, who finished only one tenth of a second before him in third position Western State nabbed the cross country event, leaving second place points to the Sheehan men. Final point compilation gave Middlebury the mythical National Inter-Collegiate ski championship as Western State and Utah rounded out the Big 3.

TEAM SCORING

1.	Middlebury	394.47
2.	Western State	392.22
3.	Utah	370.19
4.	Denver	369.31
5.	Colorado	366.07
6.	California	353.88
7.	Wisconsin	352.01
8.	Nevada	350.49
9.	Wyoming	344.40
10.	Harvard	344.32
11.	Seattle	336.94
12.	San Jose	302.94
13.	Yale	301.98

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

1.	Perry-Smith, W. S.	388
2.	Wegeman, U. U.	377.8
3.	Henderson, Midd.	371.5
4.	Jacobs, Midd.	363.1
5.	Kailey, Midd.	359.5
6.	Snyder, W. S.	352.2
7.	Movitz, N. U.	350.1
8.	Sommerville, Calif.	349.6
9.	Valentine, Midd.	347
10.	Kuss, W. S.	345.8

CLEMENT CONTEST ANNOUNCED FOR '49

"The Modern Constitutional Doctrine of Federal Power" is the topic of the annual Percival Wood Clement Prize contest for the year 1948-49, it was announced recently by the trustees of the fund.

The prize, established by the will of the late Gov. Percival Wood Clement of Vermont, is open to the junior and senior class undergraduate men and women of eighteen New England colleges including Middlebury, with the annual cash awards totaling one thousand dollars being given for "the best theses in support of the principles of the Constitution of the United States of America and the first ten amendments thereto."

Essays for this year's contest should not exceed 3,000 words in length and should be submitted to Harry W. Rowe, dean of the faculty of Bates College, Lewiston, Me., not later than April 1. Further details on the rules of the contest may be secured from the dean's office.

Sabbatical Leaves Granted For '49-50

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are not organized in any way, as the other departments are through national affiliation. This results in a lack of standardization. Generally speaking, colleges in the east are not very liberal regarding the matter of granting credits for practical music courses; whereas mid-western colleges takes a much broader outlook on this matter. It is also with this problem in mind that Mr. Bedford is carrying out his tour.

Professor Heinrichs plans to spend his entire year studying at Columbia. Very few graduate students in the field of political science are accepted by the University, and as he has not yet been notified of his acceptance, Mr. Heinrich's plans are also temporary. He will take specific courses in modern European history, British colonial policy, and others in the general field of political science. Of particular interest to Mr. Heinrichs are the three areas of world conflict—India, Russia, and Palestine, which he has been studying for a number of years.

Pins and Rings

Vacation was a busy time for many students. Quite a few pinnings, engagements and marriages occurred over the holidays.

Leon M. Adkins, Jr. '50 and Molly E. Hemeon '49 became pinned. Richard H. Bowen '50 dropped his pin to Renee A. Dathe of Buffalo, N. Y. Philip R. Briggs '48 and Jean M. Sloan '49 are engaged. G. Robert Buttrick '50 and Edith R. Hendrickson '49 became engaged. Charles L. Cole ex-'50 and Diana Carroll ex-'51 were married September 18. Albert G. Craz, Jr. '50 is engaged to Joan C. McMun of New York City. Corwin S. Elwell '51 and Frances E. Bostelmann '50 are engaged.

Charles W. Fifield '51 and Anne L. Calhoun, U. of Ga. '48 have announced their engagement. Anthony V. Fraioli '50 is engaged to Natelle Benson '48. Warren L. Frost '50 and M. Virginia Calhoun '50 are engaged. Willard H. Galvin '49 dropped his pin to Shirley Oster of Rochester, N. Y. Bruce Guillan became engaged to Elizabeth R. Merriman, Cornell '49. E. Donald Gustafson '48 and Jean G. Huey '48 became engaged. Robert H. Hoaglund '48 and Marilyn S. Campbell '50 are engaged. Robert C. Ness '49 and Elizabeth F. Bredenburg '48 are pinned. Raymond J. Nihan '50 is engaged to Sally Hobson, Northwestern '49. William H. Price '50 and Margaret Drysdale '49 are engaged. Charles E. Sherman '51 was married to Martha Faulkner of New York City on January 1. Robert P. Whitestone '50 and Joan Mansfield of New York City are married.

Jo M. Dodge '50 became engaged to Bradford Whitton of Nichols College. Jean Simmons '50 is engaged to Cadet David Arnold, U. S. Military Academy. Jean L. Marsh ex-'51 was married to Frank Coombs, Tilton Academy on December 18. Barbara L. Wesselmann '50 is engaged to Robert D. Wilson, Dartmouth '50.

Intelligence Team Activated At Midd

The 453rd Strategic Intelligence team has been activated at Middlebury College by the U. S. Department of the Army, it was announced by Capt. George H. Huban, present commanding officer of the unit which consists of certain faculty specialists and a few highly qualified junior and senior students.

Middlebury was selected by the Intelligence Divisions of the General Staff of the United States Army as one of seven colleges in the First Army Area to participate in the Army's new intelligence program. The other colleges are: Yale, Williams, Amherst, Brown, Columbia and Princeton. To date only twenty colleges and universities in the country have been definitely designated centers for strategic intelligence training.

The units are small reserve teams, designed for the purpose of directing strategic intelligence research and analysis.

FOREIGN STUDIES

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are approved by the Veterans Administration under Public Law 346. Applications for the American Graduation School and for the University of Stockholm close March 31. Full information may be obtained from the American-Scandinavian Foundation, 116 East 64th St., New York 21, N. Y.

TWENTY TO ENTER MIDD IN FEBRUARY

Twenty transfer students will enter Middlebury in February, it was announced by Stanley V. Wright, director of admissions for men. Mr. Wright also stated that the present number of applications for next fall is about equal to those for the same period last year. The admissions office expects to receive approximately 1,200 applications by spring.

Mr. Wright is currently making a series of tours in the eastern and mid-western areas of the United States. On these tours he is visiting preparatory and high schools where he has been showing "Sno' Time for Learning." Mr. Wright is presently visiting the New York City area.

ALUMNI DINNERS

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be held Wednesday, January 26, at 6.15 p.m. at the Ambassador Hotel, 14th and K Sts., Washington, D. C., for the Middlebury alumni and alumnae of the Washington-Baltimore area. It is estimated that forty to fifty persons will be present. Edward C. Roller '34 of Bethesda, Md., is dinner chairman.

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Technicolor Learning

Does color in education make a difference? It certainly seems to at the University of North Dakota. There the New Look in classroom decorating technique includes fluorescent lighting, light blue-green wall, slightly darker woodwork, green blackboards and brown chalk. Sounds like the painter said "Eeny meeny miney mo," but actually, the ensemble is the essence of eye-ease.

In an effort to discover what part school room lighting plays in students' class work, a North Dakota professor outfitted the above spectroscopic room. Its rather dazzling combination of shades combines to form no-glare lighting. No side-rays of light bother students' eyes; no shiny blackboards slow up pre-A efficiency. The professor reports more alert students and better classroom work.

Perhaps Middlebury would be interested in this new classroom color scheme —as long as the professors weren't red.

Date Bureau

The University of Massachusetts seems to be a pioneer in the field of Blind Dates. Their recently organized date bureau, Datem, has been forming "beautiful friendships" like crazy. Excerpts from the university paper tell the story.

"What happens to a Datem twosome on a date? Have there been any co-eds applying for a date? Are the men satisfied with the selections made by Datem? The results of the first week of operations are trickling in, Datem managers report.

"Datem follows up each date applicant with its Complaint and Suggestion Department. . . . Each customer is contacted Monday morning to determine the success or failure of each date selection.

"'We follow up each date to determine if refreshing personalities were really met, or if the personalities got fresh!' a Datem spokesman announced."

Apparently some customers were too tired from their Datem-inspired activities to answer the phone. Those comments obtained were favorable, however. Worried applicants seemed pleased to find their dates satisfactory.

The closest Midd has come to Massachusetts' Datem is Bill Fincke's Mermaid list for the Yacht Club formal. With Middlebury handbooks, directories, *Kaleidescopes* and graphic dormitory descriptions available, most Midd students go into a "blind" date with their eyes wide open!

Skis for Rent

The Student Activity Committee of St. Michael's College voted recently to permit their Outing Club to buy six pairs of skis which may be rented with bindings and poles by any student.

Seems like a sensible idea for a college as ski-conscious as Midd. It's a perfect solution for the occasional skier without access to equipment. It would seem that rental fees, small for the individual, would nevertheless more than pay for the initial price of the skis.

Turnabout

One of Smith's "aware" professors had a perfect solution to the knitting-in-class problem. He knits too. The professor knits anything from argyle socks to cable-stitched sweaters, and can read at the same time. If pressed for time in class, he asks one of his students to decrease or pick up a stitch for him, or if he sees one of his students having trouble with her knitting he helps her, even in the middle of a lecture.

This solution is too "perfect" to be true. Is someone pulling the wool over our eyes?

What's the Score

The number of men and women attending colleges and universities in the United States is zooming upward, according to recently released enrollment figures. Total enrollment in all colleges is 2,410,000 this year. Veterans account for 42 percent of this enrollment. More vital statistics: Men still outnumber the women almost 3 to 1 throughout the country's colleges. (In Middlebury, this is less than 2 to 1.)

Curses, Foiled Again!

That collegiate cliché, "Touche" has a sharper meaning now at the University of Massachusetts. The university has organized a Fencing Club to stimulate Joe College's interest in the Manly Art. Hopeful swordsmen meet weekly to receive instruction in the Parry-Thrust technique.

This dueling boom has possibilities on the co-ed campus. No longer would men flip a coin when there was dispute over a girl. They would step out in the back of the Snack Bar and fence it out, while the girl watched from the window, muching anxiously on a hamburger. Touche!

Paraplegic Students

Forty-six paraplegic veterans—paralyzed from the waist down— are enrolled at the University of California at Los Angeles this term. Special campus facilities, parking space, housing arrangements and counseling services have been set up for the paraplegic G.I. students.

Future in Industry

College graduates are finding ready employment in the major industrial enterprises of the nation. This year, the General Electric Company alone hired the record number of 1,400 graduates from 150 colleges and universities. This large enrollment, exceeding that of last year by 600, was attributed to expansion and the effects of the war-time shortage of graduates. The G. E. training program includes business, technical and scientific courses.

Calendar

Friday, January 14

4.30 p.m. Freshman ticket committee, North Lounge.
5.00 p.m. CAMPUS editorial staff.
7.30 p.m. Spanish Club, Forest Recreation Hall.

Saturday, January 15

Pico Ski Meet.
3.30 p.m. Bowdoin hockey game.
8.15 p.m. St. Michael's basketball game.
10.00 p.m. Kappa Delta Rho informal dance.
10.00 p.m. Chi Psi-D. U. dance.

Sunday, January 16

Pico Ski Meet.
7.00 p.m. Bridge tournament, North Lounge.

Wednesday, January 19

8.00 p.m. Abernethy lecture, Chapel.
3.30 p.m. Colgate hockey game.
8.30 p.m. Vermont basketball game, Burlington.

Thursday, January 20

3.30 p.m. Williams hockey game.

NOTICE

The following courses will be bracketed for the second semester of the college year 1949-50: Drafting 28.2, Drafting 27.2, and Drafting 38.2.

Letter to Editor

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(NOTE: *It is recognized that the cut systems and cut penalties vary widely in these colleges.*)

The Administration Committee will forward to the Faculty and Trustees, who approve the calendar, any majority expression of the opinion from students of a feasible plan. The calendar for next year has already been approved and any changes in it will have to be made at once. Will you bring this to the attention of the students as soon as possible and return their response to us?

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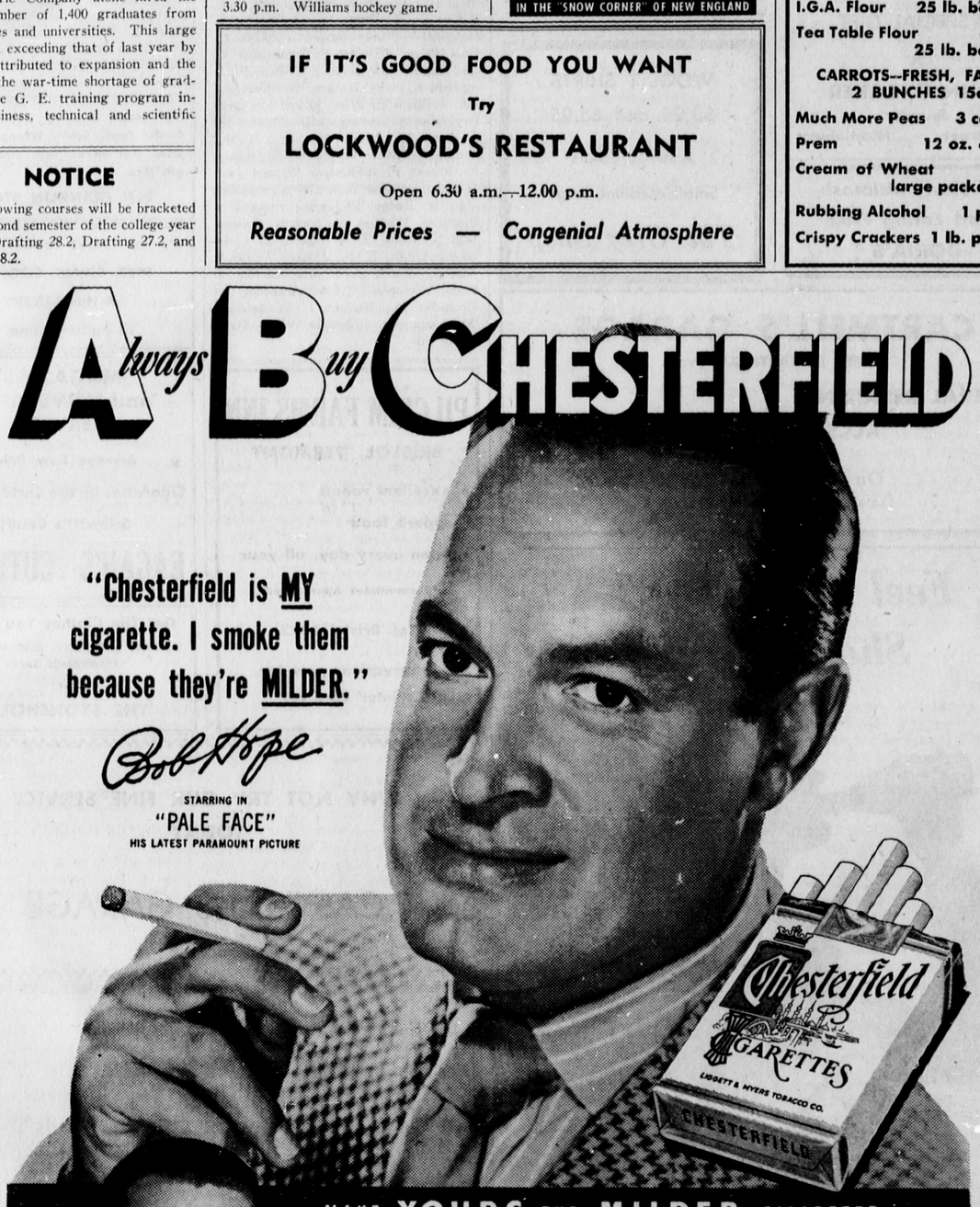

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